

MARSHFIELD

Private Edward Ward writes as follows to his mother:

January 24, 1918.
Mother Dear: The letter containing the picture you sent arrived and you don't know how pleased I was to get it, for it certainly looked very natural but then I thought how far away you were and that seemed to make it worse than ever. Mrs. S. sent me several and same as yours. I wear them in my coat every day.

This finds me sitting in the Y. M. C. A. waiting for the pictures to start. Just finished a letter to Mrs. S. Thought there was to be a vaudeville, so finished hers, but the band struck up instead.

Well, guess spring has come to France, as the sun was very warm to-day and dried most of the mud caused by the rain that fell last night. The sun shining, the green grass and the birds singing, all combined, make it seem very much like the first of May at home. Have you heard from Forrest or Dad since Christmas? If Forrest doesn't know my address please send it to him and tell him to write. I have often wondered how they make it there this winter. I have had different rumors from those quarters that provisions were very scarce, sugar being one article that could hardly be found. Hope it doesn't last long.

Most everybody who has written me said they had sent me a package; and one from Mordecai friends is the only one that has shown up.

Do you get many letters from me? I write every week. Don't have very much time.

Have just got back from "Y" and the pictures were very good. There is to be a show up there soon. I'll attend that if it is a possible thing. I understand there is not much of anything going on at home for excitement.

The other boys of my room just announced that we were to have a big feed consisting of beans, bread, jam, cake and chocolate, so I'll have to stop for that and it will give you a rest. * * *

All done. Was very good. Now must finish this and go to bed, as first call has already sounded. Must write to Carrie soon and also to Joe. Willie hasn't yet been heard from but no doubt he has written. Frank Mayo wrote me a dandy letter and shall have to answer that. Plenty of letters to write but not much time.

Well must close for this time. If anything should happen that you don't hear from me often, write just as often as you can. I'll be sure to answer you as soon as a week anyway, for the convenience I have may not be very good. Trust to hear from you soon. Heaps of love. Eddie.

The following excerpts are taken from letters recently received by Mrs. Lee Ketchum from her son, Charles, who is in the navy on board the U. S. S. Wyoming on foreign service:

December 25, 1917.
Dear Mother: I will try to write you a few lines to-night to let you know that I am well and hope you all are the same. I had a happy Christmas and you folks did. We had a lot to eat and got a package from the Red Cross. I'll tell you the list of things that we had for dinner: Cream of celery soup, crackers, pickles, celery, young roast turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, giblet gravy, creamed peas, spiced ham, currant jelly, combination salad, pumpkin pie, apple pie, vanilla ice cream, chocolate layer cake, apples, oranges, raisins and nuts, candy, coffee, cigars and cigarettes.

I hope you have got my other letters that I have sent you. I suppose all of the kids got a lot of things Christmas day. I got a letter from Hugh the 20th of December and he sent it the 20th of November. It takes quite a while for the mail to get over here. I have got some things for you that I will send you some day, but we can't send anything from here.

Well I have been ashore and have had a good time but will be glad when I get back to New York again. I haven't received any letter from you folks since I have been here.

Can't think of any more so will close for this time, hoping to hear from you all soon.

January 24, 1918.
Dear Mother: I received your letter the 23d of January and was pleased to hear from you all. I am well and hope you are the same.

Well how is the old cold winter in Vermont this year? I bet it is pretty cold there. I know that I haven't been very cold and haven't have any cold to

amount to anything. Am sorry that the kids have had a lot of colds.

I have got the blank filled out and will send it in the letter, but I don't just know what it is for; but the chief yeoman said he thought it was that the state of Vermont was paying the enlisted boys more money and I hope you can get more. I will help you as much as I can but I have got to get some money for myself, for when I get home I am going to get married and do a little better than to work on a farm I think. I have just written a letter to my girl to see if she is alive this cold winter. I will write all winter and how is Lee? Tell him he had better write a little once in a while. You don't know how I hate to sit down and write a letter, for I work hard about all of the time and have shoveled a lot of coal this year.

Where is Hugh working this winter? I bet that Perle is out in the snow everyday having a great old time. How is that boy or girl? I have forgotten which it was. It will be pretty big when I come home and I hope it will be before long.

It is hard to think of anything to write over here, but I will write all I can. Say, who is working for Carl Lilly nowadays? I wish I was back there. I suppose about the time you get this letter you folks will be sugaring in good shape. I got the boots all right and the apples from Hugh but the apples were spoiled. Tell Doris and Helen that I will write to them sometime.

Well we are about to have supper, so I will bring my letter to an end.

The following is taken from a letter to his brother, Hugh:

January 27, 1918.
Dear Brother: I received your letter and was very much pleased to hear from you and that you are well and happy, for I am just the same as when I left home.

Well you don't want to think of enlisting now, for you want to stay at home and help the folks. You have been working for Arthur Thompson for quite a while now, haven't you? Is he a good one to work for?

Say, when you write tell me the ones that enlisted in the army from Marshfield.

Well, Hugh, I work harder every day than you do in a week, for what would you think if you had to shovel away where from five to eight tons in four hours? Believe me, I shovelled some when we came across. To-day is Sunday and am taking it a little easy, for I hate to work all of the time. Wish I could be back home to-day. Does anyone around there say anything about me being over here?

Mother sent me a blank to fill out and the state would pay her some money. She said they couldn't pay any sugar up there. I guess it is pretty scarce around everywhere.

Can't think of any more, so I will bring my letter to a close and say goodbye.

BETHEL

Largely Attended Red Cross Entertainment Last Evening.

A Red Cross entertainment at the town hall last evening drew a full house. It was preceded by a social hour during which all comers were greeted by the ladies of Cranford, society women dressed as colonial dames, and a few men as notables of that age. A grand march and dance followed the program, in which the principal parts were taken by Mrs. D. P. Carney, Rev. E. R. Dixon, Mrs. C. G. Clifford, Rev. W. C. Harvey, Vernon Haves, Miss May Carney, C. O. Spaulding, Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Chapman, Sergeant Harold W. Haskins, a member of the officers' training school at Camp Devens, always a favorite speaker in Bethel, gave a description of a soldier's life in camp, and said that during the present winter Camp Devens had the record of being the most wholesome of all the large camps in the country. His leave requires his return to-night.

Mrs. Cora Bradley is at the sanatorium for treatment of typhoid fever.

H. D. Davenport will remain another year on the E. E. Spaulding farm.

Mrs. F. N. Parrott of Montpelier is a guest of her sister, Mrs. D. L. Chadwick.

Miss Lois Rogers of Woodstock is employed at F. R. Jenney's restaurant.

Principal Davis and John T. Batchelder were in White River Junction Thursday night to attend a high school oratorical contest in which Mr. Batchelder was a contestant.

A letter just received from Sgt. E. L. Rogers, says that the Vermonters at Camp Greene are moving to Camp Wadsworth.

Edgar H. W. Owens was in Barnard Monday evening to install the officers of Silver Lake grange.

J. B. Garland and E. A. Nichols are keeping house together at Mr. Garland's residence.

The fourth and fifth grades gave a Washington's birthday program in Miss Dyer's room Thursday.

G. W. Merrill is in Hardwick for a month's work.

Mrs. Loren Lamb of Pittsfield died Thursday and her cousin, Miss May Blossom, went Friday to be with her family until after the funeral.

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HARDWICK

Mrs. James M. Collier Died Friday, Leaving Husband and Daughter.

Mrs. James M. Collier, who was taken to the Hardwick hospital a few days since for treatment, died suddenly Friday morning. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Mrs. Sam Daniels. Mr. and Mrs. Collier moved into the village from their farm at the Center about a year or so ago, having sold their farm, and lived in the Daniels block on Riverside terrace. Mrs. Collier was a most estimable woman and her demise comes as a great shock to her many friends.

Miss Glee Jamieson and Misses Beryl and Jennie Williams have gone to Bel-lows Falls to work.

Miss Mattie L. G. Hill was a visitor in Hyde Park on Washington's birthday.

There was an interesting basketball game at the local court last Thursday evening between the Walden Giants and the Hardwick boys scouts, the latter being victorious by a score of 40 to 20. The visitors were a heavy, good-natured lot of boys and took their defeat like good sportsmen.

The ladies of the Methodist church will serve dinner at the church on town meeting day.

The warning for the annual town meeting has been posted and it is expected that the reports will be in the hands of the voters in a few days. Study the different articles as found in the warning and attend the meeting and vote right.

Another opportunity will be given those ladies who desire to vote in town meeting to take the oath on March 1, afternoon and evening, at the board of civil authority meeting on that date.

Mrs. H. E. Wilmerston and daughter, Ruth, leave the first of the week for Barre, where they will make their future home. Mr. Wilmerston has been working in Barre for several weeks.

A party of about 40 young people, led by the boy scouts, went on a snowshoe hike last Friday afternoon, leaving the Memorial building at 2 o'clock and taking a route through the Bridgman woods, over and across the old golf grounds and down over the hill, across the river by the Norris farm and down the river and home. At about the half-way mark on the route camp was made, where coffee and doughnuts were served. It was a most enjoyable trip and about the first one that has been undertaken this season, the weather previously having been against such undertakings.

Napoleon Damon has vacated the Martell house near the Woodbury granite company's electric plant and has moved into one of the Montgomery houses on Cottage street in this village.

Guy W. Hill of St. Johnsbury transacted business in the place last Friday. The banks and postoffice observed Washington's birthday by closing Friday, as did the schools in the village.

The boy scout orchestra was in Wolcott Friday night, where it furnished music for a dance following a basketball game between Wolcott and Morrisville. McLeod's orchestra was in Morrisville Friday evening, where it furnished music for a dance.

Hardwick has at last reached an acute coal shortage and a great many families and several business blocks are now without coal and not much wood is being drawn into the village on account of poor roads and the severe cold weather.

WOODBURY

The Woodbury A. C. met defeat at the local gym last Saturday evening, when they played the Little Woolen company's A. C. of North Montpelier.

The game was fast and interesting throughout. The Woodbury team held the lead at the end of the first period by the score of 9 to 7, but in the last two periods of play the Little Woolen company's fast quintet showed excellent team work and broke away from their opponents, which resulted in a victory for them.

The score was 26 to 13. Cook and Daniels featured for North Montpelier, the former scoring seven baskets, while the latter scored five baskets. Ross and Atkinson starred for Woodbury, each getting two baskets. Guernsey of the visitors played a fast and steady game at guard. The line-up was as follows: North Montpelier—L. Daniels, F. Walker, H. Cook, E. Daniels, McLeod; Woodbury—Ross, F. A. Davis, H. Atkinson, E. F. Davis, Winters, Ig. The time was three 15-minute periods. Baskets from floor—Cook 7, Daniels 3, Ross 2, Atkinson 2, Davis, Guernsey, Walker; fouls—Guernsey 2, Ross 3, Timer, Ferris; scorer, Webber.

CHELSEA

The West Hill Farmers' club will hold its regular meeting Feb. 26 at Frank Libbey's. The business meeting will be followed by a wedding.

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GROTON

Groton to Have Soldiers' Monument as a Gift.

Through the generosity of the late Mrs. Margaret J. Meader of Dorchester, Mass., Groton is to have a soldiers' monument. The selectmen have recently received a copy of the clause in the will of the late Mrs. Meader, wherein \$1,200 is donated to the town of Groton for the above purpose. It is left for the town to choose the site and bear the expense of setting the stone. Mrs. Meader was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Taibey of this town, and her early life was passed here. After her marriage to Mr. Meader she resided in Dorchester, Mass., but since his death some years ago she had passed considerable time with relatives on the old home place, and thereby kept in touch with her native town. Her death occurred about six months ago.

Samuel W. Thurston and Miss Lydia Mae Anna were married Tuesday evening at the Baptist parsonage by Rev. G. D. Gould.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Clark of Hardwick are passing some time with Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Smith while Mr. Clark is making repairs on the building of Mrs. A. M. Heath which Mr. Smith is to use as a drug store.

Alberta Patch returned from Heaton hospital, Montpelier Tuesday.

Rev. F. W. Lewis was in Montpelier yesterday to attend a meeting of the Montpelier seminary board.

Mrs. Cyrus B. Page left Thursday for Northampton, Mass., called there by the illness of her brother-in-law.

J. Ralph Pierce of Fairlee was in town Wednesday in the interest of the Connecticut Valley Telephone company.

Miss Mildred Taylor is ill with tonsillitis. Her place as operator in the telephone office is supplied by Mrs. William Richardson.

Dr. G. N. Welch of Northfield visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Welch, this week.

Ray Wilson moved his household goods from the house of James Frost to Groton pond for a dance.

Wilfred Lagare, who is employed in Bellows Falls, and Miss Viola Lagare, who is attending school at St. Johnsbury, are at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lagare, for a few days' vacation.

Frank and Arthur Foley, Walter Dana and Rev. Hanchette left Thursday morning for St. Johnsbury to join the Caladonia county recruits. They were fitted out by the local branch of the Red Cross with sweaters, socks, wristlets, helmets and comfort kits.

The union evangelistic services will begin next Sunday morning at the Methodist church, with sermons by Dr. Swift of Chicago. There will be special music with a large choir to lead. The subject of the evangelist's morning sermon will be, "Wasted Opportunities," and Sunday evening he will speak on "Weighed by the Ten Commandments, What Do You Weigh?"

Lawrence White has finished work as clerk in the store of B. S. Eastman and gone to his home in South Ryegate.

WASHINGTON

The dramatic play presented by the young people of this place, entitled, "Tommy's Wife," that was given last week, was pronounced first class all taking their parts in a way that did great credit. A good-sized crowd greeted them and after the entertainment dancing was in order for about three hours. The proceeds amounted to over \$20, to be used for Red Cross work.

L. L. Slocum is at his farm in Berlin again, a few days.

George E. Huntington was in Montpelier Wednesday on business.

O. S. Cheney is confined to the bed by illness.

RANDOLPH

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Ketchum, who have been in Boston, Concord, N. H., and other cities for the last ten weeks, returned home on Friday.

Joe Fifield and W. G. Dobie expected to leave here to-day, having been assigned to Fort Leavenworth, Kans. They were notified to report at the Randolph inn this morning and to leave the same afternoon.

Mrs. Aurora White, the sister of Rev. Homer White, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Frederick B. Merrill, in Woodstock, Feb. 8, having been confined to her bed and unable to speak or move for months, the result of a shock of paralysis, which completely paralyzed her right side. Mrs. Rogers was 80 years of age, was formerly of Springfield and was the last of her immediate family, her husband and children having died several years ago.

Mrs. Joseph Roberts, who has been with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Bashaw, for a few days, has left for her home in Cambridge.

Carlton Jones, who has been passing three weeks at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones, returned on Monday to Springfield to resume work in the machine shop in which he formerly was employed.

Gerald Roppe of Palmer, Mass., was entertained here the first of the week by Mr. and Mrs. James Oney.

A daughter was born Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kerry, who live in the Burridge block, this being the eighth living child. Mr. Kerry is employed in the Brigham ceramics.

Mr. and Mrs. Heber T. Holman of New Haven, Conn., are visiting Mrs. Mollie Holman and other relatives here for several days.

At an auction sale on Feb. 15 of the real estate of the late Miss C. T. Moore, of which estate C. C. Gifford is the administrator, the Will Housington farm of three hundred acres was sold for \$650 to James French of Bethel, Mead, who will use it for pasturage and carry on the sugar place. The Charles Morse farm was struck off to the auctioneer, F. H. Packard, for \$375, and he sold the same later to E. C. Eckerson of Bethel, Mead for \$450.

The remains of Mrs. Coraell Bruce, former resident of this place, who for the past 17 years had been living in Derry, N. H., were brought here on Monday. The husband, son, Mark, and daughter, Mrs. Laila Choninard, accompanied the remains, and the funeral was held at the Maple on Tuesday forenoon. Rev. Edie Webster of Worcester officiating. Mrs. Bruce was a sister of Mrs. Asa Snow, W. P. Flint and Eugene Flint of Roxbury. The remains were placed in the tomb.

Friday was one of the coldest days of the season, the thermometer registering 22 below zero in many places that morning.

The sum of \$29.78 was realized from the dance held at the Salisbury warehouse last week Thursday evening for the benefit of the Red Cross.

MIDDLESEX

George Kerrin of Montpelier spent Friday at his parental home here.

E. J. Eaton, accompanied by his father, O. G. Eaton of Waitsfield, was in Morrisville Friday to attend the funeral of M. B. Eaton.

A neighborhood party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Bailey Thursday evening in honor of the latter's birthday. A pleasant time was reported.

Henry Baird went Friday night to Boston on a business trip.

Mrs. Esther Ainsworth is confined to her bed, owing to a fall which injured her hip.

Erwin Densmore's entire herd of cattle were tested and condemned for tuberculosis the first of the week.

Mrs. Frank Moulton is quite ill. Glenn George was a visitor of his aunt, Mrs. F. B. Miles, recently. Mr. George goes Saturday to Georgia, where he joins the medical corps.

Mrs. Mary J. Scott was a business visitor in Barre Wednesday and Thursday.

WORCESTER

Barbara Ordway of Montpelier spent Washington's birthday with Carmen Cane.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Story are the happy parents of a son, Walter John, born Wednesday, Feb. 20.

Mrs. E. I. Webster was called to Randolph Tuesday to officiate at a funeral.

The junior high school and the grammar school will hold a masquerade promenade at the town hall Thursday evening for the benefit of the Red Cross.

The Mothers' club will meet with Mrs. Bolton Feb. 28.

Remember the community social at the town hall Feb. 27. Everyone invited. Ernest Gray remains about the same.

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PARK THEATRE

Program for Week of February 25

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

To celebrate our opening for the first Tuesday for several weeks, we have secured an exceptionally good program

TAYLOR HOLMES IN

Uneasy Money

Also the first of a series of 12 comedies by James Montgomery Flagg, taken from his famous sketches of "American Girls You Know." This surely is the best short subject released to date, and we want you to see the first one, "THE SCREEN FAN."

We are glad of this opportunity to offer you a special attraction by presenting Taylor Holmes, Broadway's favorite actor, in "Uneasy Money," taken from the famous story in the Saturday Evening Post. We guarantee you a high-class entertainment, one you will not care to miss. Everyone is talking of this picture. TRY TO GET IN!

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27 AND 28

TWO DAYS' SPECIAL

GERALDINE FARRAR IN

The Woman God Forgot

We consider ourselves fortunate to be able to present this wonderful attraction for the entertainment of our patrons at no advance in prices, and trust those who can will attend the matinee to avoid the evening crowds. Special music. Added attraction, a Mack Sennett Paramount Comedy.

This production has played in all the leading theatres at advanced prices to capacity houses, and we trust you will not miss it. A wonderful picture, a big star in a super-production.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

BRYANT WASHBURN IN

The Fibbers

This play is a scream. They were just little white fibs, but both husband and wife intend to surprise the other with "the great event." But jealousy and suspicion arose, leading to a veritable comedy of errors and nearly a tragedy. The outcome will give you the big surprise of your life.

Special added attraction, another Sunshine Comedy, "THE MILK-FED VAMP." Better than "Roaring Lions and Wedding Bells."

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

MARY MILES MINTER IN

The Mate of Sally Ann

Five reels of exceptional photodrama laid aboard a sea-battered hulk of which Mary is the crew and cook.

Also a "Reel Life"